Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 20 Oct 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 21 Oct 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 20 Oct 2022 at 02:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable conditions for the next few days with a lot of cloud. Low for extent of rain on Thursday and Friday.

Headline for Thursday 20 Oct 2022: Cloudy with morning rain, west coast brighter in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 20 Oct 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Fog
Precipitation probability					
60%	60%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Thursday 20 Oct 2022

Weather: A lot of cloud expected through the day. The morning will see some rain before it turns drier in the afternoon although some rain may linger across the far north, mostly across Caithness.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best chance along the west coast from Torridon southwards

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud down to 500 to 800 metres across Caithness, Easter Ross and eastern Sutherland through the day. Eslewhere cloud will be much more broken but some cloud may shroud the highest peaks at times.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	34/42 SE	28/35 SE	24/30 SE	20/26 SE	19/26 E	22/30 E	23/32 E
900	36/43 SE	26/34 SE	23/30 SE	19/25 SE	20/28 E	23/31 E	26/34 E
600	28/37 SE	19/27 SE	18/26 SE	14/20 E	17/25 E	19/28 E	19/29 E
300	11/29 E	8/22 E	8/21 E	6/18 E	9/22 E	9/23 E	10/25 E
Glen	22/32 E	13/20 E	13/20 E	12/18 E	15/23 E	16/26 E	16/27 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/-2	5/-1	6/0	6/1	5/-0	4/-1	4/-2
900	6/-1	6/0	6/1	7/2	5/0	5/-1	5/-1
600	9/4	8/4	9/5	9/6	8/4	7/3	7/2
300	6/3	7/5	9/7	9/8	8/6	8/6	8/5
Glen	11/7	11/8	12/10	13/10	11/8	11/8	11/8
Freezing Level*	2700m	2600m	2500m	2500m	2400m	2300m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note cold and strong winds at height.

Forecast for Friday 21 Oct 2022
Weather: A cloudy day with some rain in the morning. Becoming drier in the afternoon but remaining cloudy, however Skye and northern Lochaber may see some sunnier weather in the afternoon.

Maximum wind: Easterly 20 to 30 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%, best chance in the southwest of the area in the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in extensive cloud down to 500 to 800 metres. Some breaks possible across the southwest of the area by afternoon but very low confidence in this aspect.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 12 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 7 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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